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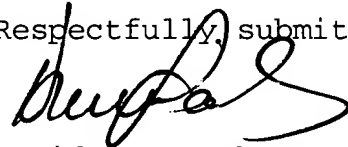
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The brochure entitled "Y Connectors" discusses the product specifications of Y-Connectors (Touhy-Borst type devices) that are designed for use during percutaneous transluminal coronary angioplasty (PTCA) and other intravascular therapeutic procedures that utilize a guiding catheter.

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